any fish in the waters of the Chesapeake Bay, or its tributaries, bounding on or lying within Harford county, by means of pound or stake nets, or any nets whatsoever that shall be attached to the bottom of said waters, or tributaries, by stakes, anchors, or any weights whatever. Nothing herein contained shall prevent any owner of land bordering upon said wa- Prevent any ters from catching fish for the use of their families owner. and employees and actually consumed by them, provided such owners shall not place nets in any channel of said waters, nor more than one-fourth of the distance across any stream, and provided further, that nothing in this act shall prevent the use of fyke nets in the Susquehanna river.

SEC. 2. Be it enacted, That any person violating the provisions of this section shall forfeit the nets hereinbefore described, and the boats and materials Penalty. used for fishing the same, and shall also for each offence pay a fine of not less than twenty dollars nor more than fifty dollars.

SEC. 3. Be it enacted, That this act shall take In force. effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 27, 1878.